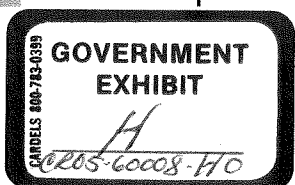


The individual on the left is Ibn-ul-Khattab, Commander-in-Chief of the Foreign Mujahideen Brigade loyal to the Islamic Army of the Caucasus. In the center is Shamil Basayev, Commander-in-Chief of the Islamic Army of the Caucasus. And to the right is Abu al-Walid al-Ghamidi, successor to Khattab as Commander-in-Chief of the Foreign Mujahideen Brigade after Khattab was assassinated in March 2002.





Tuesday 25 July 2000 An Attempt To Capture Mujahideen Is Foiled=20

A fierce battle broke out in the Yermlovka region. By the Grace of Allah, the Mujahideen were slaughtering the enemy battalion. When the time came for the Mujahideen to return to their bases, the enemy managed to surround three of the Mujahideen. At which point, their brothers came to their help, destroyed the siege, and returned to fighting again. Following this escalation, six enemy soldiers were killed and more injured. During the battle one Mujahid was martyred and two were injured. We ask Allah to accept the first as a martyr in the highest levels of paradise and hasten the recovery of the injured.=20

Assassination Warfare: Where Do The Russians Turn To Now?=20

The Russian forces in Vedeno were shocked by the assassination of three of their intelligence officers. This operation seems to have finished off whatever spirits they had. There is constant anxiety due to the Mujahideen presence all around them. What type of assault will be served next? How will the next group of sorry soldiers be exterminated? Ambush, martyr operation, another assassination, or full fledged assault? Maybe all. Where does the enemy turn to when they don't even trust their own hypocrite local supporters=?20

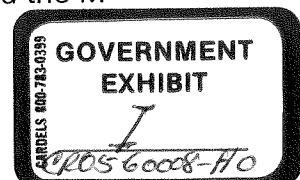
Enemy Bases In Grozny Under Steady Attack=20

Charges and lightning attacks against enemy bases and security checkpoints in the capital followed one another last night. Some went on until midnight. The results are: a severe damage to the bases, losses in machinery and lives, and countless injuries, too numerous to be counted by the Mujahideen.=20

The crippled Russian artillery commenced its indiscriminate shelling of the village of Pitrovavlavka which resulted in some civilian injury and damage to civilian homes.

Monday 24 July 2000 10 OMON Troops Burnt Out in Their Vehicle=20

In the village of Atki, Commander Yaqub's battalion tracked one URAL Cargo Military Vehicle carrying 10 OMON soldiers. As the vehicle approached the M=



Abu Dhar At-Ta'ifi (Abdullah At-Thubaitey, Saudi Arabia), may Allah have Mercy on him, earned his martyrdom as a result of a composite mine. He favoured his brothers to himself as he ordered them to distance themselves, so that they wouldn't be hurt. May Allah have mercy on him, he was the finest Mujahid. He devoted his life to Allah. We believe as such and we do not elevate anyone beyond their rank defined by Allah. We will have a glimpse of him at a later date Inshaa-Allah. May Allah have mercy on you dear brother and accept you as a martyr.=20

Explosion, Destruction and Casualties

In Neger-Yurt, the Mujahideen blew up one Kamaz Truck and one Russian military vehicle, which resulted in the killing and injuring of 12 Russian soldiers. The offensive did not last very long. By the Grace of Allah, all the Mujahideen returned safe and sound to their bases.=20

They Couldn't Find the Mujahideen, So they Shelled the Village

The Russian Air Force shelled a village in Vedenov killing two women and destroying one home.=20

Where Are those So-called "Human Rights"?

A group of Russian soldiers arrested four civilians. Two were strangled until they lost consciousness. Another had his feet fired upon as he screamed, "I'm not one of the fighters!". The barbaric soldier replied "It is enough that you are a Muslim!". O Muslims! Do you not then understand?=20

In another village, a band of OMON police officers ravished the civilian residents, terrorized the innocent and robbed all their valuables. So where are those so-called "Human Rights"?

O Soldiers of Satan! More surprises are on the way. The Mujahideen are preparing more surprises that will bring smiles to the faces of the true believers and anguish to the unbelieving atheists. What is happening nowadays is merely the groundwork for what is to come. For the Mujahideen have sworn to destroy the Russians, and by the Will of Allah, their promise will be fulfilled.

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Mujahideen, they opened fire using RPGs and machine guns until the vehicle was completely burnt out without a single survivor. By the Grace of Allah, the battalion returned victorious and safe to their bases.=20

Eight Enemy Bases Are Pounded in Grozny=20

Russian forces acknowledged attacks against eight of their bases in Grozny resulting in severe losses. While they may claim (or dream) of having control of the situation, this is clear evidence in the contrary.=20

Refuting the Latest Russian Propaganda

There was no Russian assault on Vedeno. It is another lie in a failed attempt to cover its own embarrassing defeats and severe losses. The Russian command claimed that an assault was executed on Mujahideen bases in Vedeno. D=

During this phantom assault, the enemy claims that 12 Arab Mujahideen were killed and three more were taken prisoners. This apparent fabrication is nothing more than another chapter in the series of dreams and hallucinations of the enemy propaganda machine as a result of their beaten command. No battle even took place in this region. Maybe this was an attempt of the enemy forces to cover their one humiliating defeat after another attempting to occupy this peak where in the last failed attempt 22 enemy soldiers perished and the remaining simply ran away from the battle.=20

Furthermore, how many times did they announce killing Field Commanders Sham=

il Basayev, Arbi Barayev, Arsan, Akha, and other commanders? Once, they even claimed killing 200 Mujahideen in a single battle. Not to mention a countless number of other lies. Such fabrications should be fully expected from the Russian command. They hope that such lies would boost the defunct spirits of their forces, maybe alleviate the pain and suffering of the people back home. Recently, the Russians made a claim of uncovering documents and ma=

ps detailing the Mujahideen plan to retake the major Chechen towns. They seem to have forgotten that the Mujahideen are local people, who live in these towns. Do they need maps to show them the ins and outs of their own neighborhoods?=20

The Truth Behind Russian Claims of Having An Arab Prisoner=20

He was at home with his Chechen wife, and not with the Mujahideen. He was permanently stationed in his hometown. One of the local hypocrites informed the enemy forces about him hoping for a reward. A number of enemy soldiers headed towards the Arab's house accompanied by the hypocrite, who was maske=

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Jihad is an Arabic word, the root of which is *jahada*, which means to strive for a better life, endeavor, effort, diligence, fighting to defend one's life, land, or religion. Jihad is not a religious obligation as it is a worldly endeavor, an expression of faith that exists in Islam. Wars of this type contribute to religious subjugation and genocide, an example of which is the Holy War of the Crusades.

The term *jihad* is simply an Islamic legal term meaning fighting in the way of Allah in order to establish a just system which upholds the laws of Shari'ah and seeks to realize the aims of Islam on earth.

During the period of Qur'anic revelation Muslims were instructed to:

...hold back their hands (from fighting) and establish regular prayers. 4:77

The Muslims of that era patiently and obediently followed this injunction in spite of the fact that they needed to build a strong foundation of faith from which to face all external obstacles and forces.

Years later, when the Muslims emigrated to Makkah, their faith and numbers had increased and they dwelled in a city that was a stronghold. Permission was given to fight in self-defense, in self-guarding personal and human rights.

To those against whom war is made, permission is given (to fight) because they are wronged; and verily Allah is Most Powerful for their aid. 22:39

Then another condition was added to the injunction of self-defense - defense of their beliefs and principles.

Fight in the cause of Allah those who fight you, but do not transgress limits; for Allah loves not the transgressors. 2:190

This second condition of *jihad* is unique compared to other wars in history. Most wars aimed at obtaining political or economic goals for a specific person or group. The goal of this second step in *jihad* was belief; the fighting for Allah's religion.

Those who believe fight in the cause of Allah, and those who reject faith fight in the cause of evil. 4:76

If the reason for *jihad* stopped here, by indicating that *jihad* was defensive in nature and attack was used only as a means of restoring the Islamic State from its powerful enemies, then *jihad* would seem acceptable to Western ideologies, but *jihad* doesn't stop here.

The third stage came when Muslims were ordered to fight the unbelievers and to initiate the fighting:

And fight them until there is no more persecution and religion becomes Allah's in its entirety. 8:39

Fighting is prescribed upon you and you dislike it. But it is possible that you dislike a thing which is good for you. 2:216

Thus, *jihad* is a religious obligation in Islam. Its aim is to fight oppression and injustice and to remove obstacles which prevent the spread of Islam. This is accomplished either by weakening or persecuting their brother Muslims wherever they may be.

There are numerous laws regarding *jihad*. The Prophet Muhammad (sallallahu 'alaihi wa sallam) is reported to have said: "Fight in the way of Allah and in the way of the Prophet. Go on military expeditions but do not plunder. Do not break your pledge, nor mutilate, nor kill children..." [Ibn Sa'd]

Islam prohibits terrorism, kidnapping, harming women, children, and the elderly. It forbids vandalism of civilian buildings, burning of crops, as well as other forms of environmental destruction. Islamic commands its followers to attack and fight bravely in the face of the enemy but never condones war tactics that involve suicide missions.

The distorted connection of *jihad* and forcing belief on people by the sword is incorrect. It is true that the role of Islam was spread over vast areas through *jihad* yet Islam prohibits coercion of belief.

There is to be no compulsion in religion. [Al-Qur'an 2:256]

The Qur'an makes it clear that people are free to either choose Islam or to remain followers of whatever faith they hold. So what will explain the spread of Islam among those people? The answer is *jihad*. This is the secret behind the spread of Islam and the true victory of its forces when the...

...religion becomes Allah's in its entirety. [Al-Qur'an 8:39]

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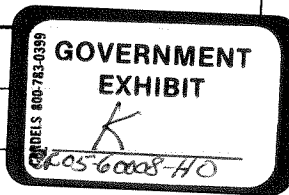


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Al-Salamu Alaikom.

May Allah bless your efforts supporting our muslim brothers everywhere.

In regard to our previous correspondence, I have the pleasure informing you that I have already asked **my bank in London** to make a transaction to your **USA account**, using the details you provided in an earlier e-mail, as **Zakat** in order to participate in your nobel support to our muslim brothers in **Chychnia**, and here are the transaction details.

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From his account in	Nation Bank of Kuwait (Intenational) Plc. - London
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Transferred amount	US\$150.000 (A Hundred & Fiftv Thousand US Dollars)

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What I am asking you to do, is to kindly:

- 1) Confirm that this amount would be used as **ZAKAT**
- 2) Inform me by e-mail as soon as you get the transaction
- 3) Send me a letter (original document from your establishment) confirming that the US\$150,000 donation has been received as **Zakat** from Dr. Mahmoud Talaat El-Fiki.

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Please contact for any further details.

Your cooperation will be highly appreciated.

All the Best & Al-Salamu Alaikom Wa Rahmatu Allah.

